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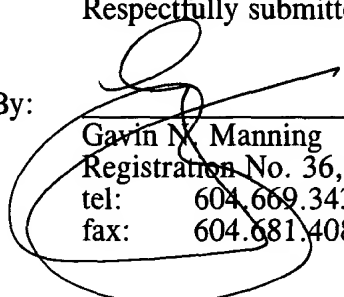
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Other Art

Examiner	ID	Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.
	OA: 1	Dawson et al. <i>Through-wafer optical probe characterization for microelectronmechanical systems positional state monitoring and feedback control.</i> 6 July 2000.

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